

administering to a patient, simultaneously or consecutively, (1) between about 0.01 mg and about 1.0 mg per injection of bee venom intradermally, subcutaneously or intramuscularly and (2) at least one anesthetic in an amount of about 0.1 mg to about 0.3 mg per injection, intradermally, subcutaneously or intramuscularly so as to reduce the irritation associated with the injection of bee venom, wherein the administration of the bee venom and anesthetic reduces the pain of the patient by at least 57 on a visual analog scale; wherein said patient is suffering from a condition selected from the group consisting of Osteoarthritis, Gouty Arthritis, Psoriatic Arthritis, Ankylosing Spondylitis, Fibromyalgia, Fibromyositis, Myofascial Dysfunction Pain Syndrome, Tennis Elbow and Golfers Elbow, Frozen Shoulder, Bursitis, Tendonitis, Chronic Surgical Inflammation of Soft and Bony Tissue, Peripheral Neuritis, Migraine, Eczema, Psoriasis, Multiple Sclerosis, Lupus.

41. (TWICE AMENDED) The method of claim 31, wherein the administration of the bee venom and the anesthetic reduces the pain of the patient to 28 or less on the visual analog scale.

42. (TWICE AMENDED) A method of administering bee venom to a patient in need of such treatment comprising the steps of:

administering to a patient, simultaneously or consecutively, (1) between about 0.01 mg and about 1.0 mg per injection of bee venom intradermally, subcutaneously or intramuscularly and (2) at least one anesthetic in an amount of about 0.1 mg to about 0.3 mg per injection, intradermally, subcutaneously or intramuscularly, wherein the bee venom comprises about 40%-50% of melittin, or about 1.5-2.0% of hyaluronidase in dry weight, or wherein the bee venom exhibits about 40 to about 100HHU/mL of Hyaluronidase activity when diluted to 100mcg/mL, or is capable of inhibiting gelatin induced aggregation of erythrocytes of about 3-5mm/H; wherein the administration of said anesthetic reduces the irritation associated with the injection of bee venom; wherein the administration of the bee venom and anesthetic reduces the pain of the patient by at least 57 on a visual analog scale.